

ANNUAL REPORT

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OF THE

Managers

OF THE

APPRENTICES' LIBRARY COMPANY

OF

PHILADELPHIA.

Read at a Meeting of the Company, held at their room, S. W. corner of Fifth and Arch Streets, Third month (March) 11th, 1862.

Apprentices' Library Company of Philadelphia,
Founded, A. D. 1820. Incorporated, 1821.

PHILADELPHIA :
PILE & M'ELROY, PRINTERS,
Lodge Street, near the Exchange.
1862.

OFFICERS AND MANAGERS
OF THE
APPRENTICES' LIBRARY COMPANY,

For one year from Third month (March) 11th, 1862.

PRESIDENT,
JAMES J. BARCLAY.

VICE-PRESIDENT,
ISAAC LLOYD.

SECRETARY,
THOMAS RIDGWAY.

TREASURER,
SAMUEL MASON.

MANAGERS.

BENJAMIN M. HOLLINSHEAD, CHAIRMAN.

TRISTRAM BOWDLE, SECRETARY.

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BENJAMIN ORNE,	RUFUS M. ERSKINE,
THOMAS H. SPEAKMAN,	HUGH STEVENSON,
JONATHAN B. MITCHELL,	JOHN B. GARRETT.

BOYS' LIBRARIAN, HARRIET SCHNIDER.

GIRLS' LIBRARIAN, FRANCES L. CLEMENT.

TO THE
APPRENTICES' LIBRARY COMPANY
OF PHILADELPHIA.

IN submitting their Annual Report to the Company, the Managers of the Apprentices' Library feel gratified to announce the growing usefulness of the Institution, and that its affairs at this time are in a healthy and prosperous condition.

At the time when your Board were elected and assumed the control of its affairs, the dark forebodings of civil war in our happy country were discernible, and they have since been unfortunately realized. While we have been spared by a kind Providence from the devastating effects of a war in our own midst, yet the depression of all branches of business, the derangement in monetary affairs, and the prostration of industry and enterprise, have not been without their effects upon our Library.

In connection with this fact, we believe that many have enlisted, who would otherwise have partaken of the benefits of the Library, and this will tend to account for the falling off in the number of applicants, referred to elsewhere. The exciting events that are daily transpiring, have also a tendency to direct the mind from solid reading, and to give a preference to newspapers and other kindred sources of information.

Two hundred and twenty of the Girls have resigned the use of the Library during the year in consequence of their time being almost exclusively devoted to working for the government.

The number of books loaned during the past year, shows a large increase over the preceding one. From the Boys' Library, were loaned 21,140 volumes, against 18,374, for the year ending March 1st, 1861. From the Girls' Library, were loaned, during the same period, 37,126 volumes, against 29,068 the preceding year. While we have this gratifying increase in the number of books loaned, to record, we find that the number of new applicants to the Library, has on the contrary, decreased. The number admitted to the Boys' Library, during the past year was 630, against 950 the preceding year, and to the Girls' 1014, against 1434 for the twelve months ending March 1st, 1861. The decrease in the number of applicants has been somewhat in greater ratio than the increase in the number of books loaned, and your Board feel justified in accounting for it in this way. In regard to the Girls' Library, the active exertions and entire time of the Librarian, during the year 1860-61, brought a great many new readers to the Institution, and the present year commenced therefore with a much larger number using the Library than had done so previously, and this increase more than counterbalanced the diminution of new applicants. In the Boys' Library, a somewhat similar state of facts presented themselves; although not commencing the present year with so large an increase of readers over last, as in the Girls' department, yet the number was considerably increased. The fact is also worthy of notice, (as observed by the Librarian, and proved by the amount of fines received,) that the books have not been kept out, on an average, as long as has usually been the case; thus by renewing or returning them more frequently, it has largely increased the number of volumes loaned. In the Boys' department, a marked change in the class of reading has been observed. The exciting

events of the times have led a great many to read histories, biographies and travels, in place of the lighter literature of the day. Lives of military characters and works on Government, have been much sought after.

There have been purchased and placed upon the shelves during the year, 261 new books in the Girls', and 200 in the Boys' Library, and 42 volumes have been received by donation. It has been a matter of deep solicitude and care, to exclude all hurtful books from the Library, and we believe none have been selected but such as are calculated to elevate the character, and afford innocent recreation and instruction. A new Catalogue for the Girls' Library is being prepared.

Your Board would earnestly recommend, that an effort be made to obtain additional members, and feel confident that the claims of the Library, when properly set forth, cannot fail to obtain the approbation and patronage of our citizens.

The Librarians and Assistants, in both departments at the commencement of our year, still remain with us, and we take pleasure in bearing testimony to the faithful and attentive manner in which they have discharged the trusts and duties confided to them. The general good order which has been observed in the conduct of those using the Libraries, has been also a marked and pleasant feature.

In conclusion, we commend our Institution under the care and direction of our successors, to the continued protection and favor of Divine Providence, whose blessings have hitherto been so bounteously vouchsafed upon its unostentatious labors.

Respectfully submitted,
By order of the Board.

BENJ. M. HOLLINSHEAD, *Chairman.*

T. BOWDLE, *Secretary.*

Philadelphia, March 11th, 1862.

Books loaned from Boy's Library during the year,	21,140
" " Girl's " " "	37,126
Applicants admitted—Boys,
" " Girls,
Now using the Library—Boys,
" " Girls,
Books added to Boy's Library,
" " Girl's " " "
Total volumes in Boy's Library, (about)
" " Girl's " " ".
Total vols.

**Abstract of the Account of Samuel Mason, Treasurer of Apprentices' Library Company of Philadelphia, from Third month 12th, 1861,
to Third month 11th, 1862.**

		Receipts on General Account.		Payments on General Account.	
1861.	3d mo. 12.	Balance of cash per Report of this date,	\$334 19	Paid for Salaries and Services of Librarians, Assistants, &c., \$1086 80	
		Ground-rent, Dividends and Interest received,	1662 78	Purchase of Books by Book Committee, 400 00	
		Annual Subscriptions of Members,	312 00	Binding and Repairing Books, 169 90	
		Fines collected and Catalogues sold,	202 27	City Loan, 389 00	
		Fines of Managers,	4 10	Incidental Expenses by Room Committee, 68 95	
				Gas-light, 98 13	
				Repairs to Roof, 10 56	
				" Secretary's Expenses, 12 37	
				" Insurance on Books and Furniture, 42 00	
				" Fuel, 22 75	
				" Printing Annual Report, 27 00	
				Balance due Company on General Account, 217 88	
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			\$2545 34	\$2545 34	

Building Fund derived from the Legacy of Elizabeth Greenfield, deceased.

1861.	3d mo. 12.	Balance due Company on Building Fund,	\$97 39	1862.	3 mo. 11.	Paid for \$600 City Loan Purchased,	\$545 75
		Dividends and Interest received,	480 90			Balance due the Company on Building Fund,	32 54
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			\$578 29				\$578 29

The undersigned having been appointed to examine and settle the accounts of Samuel Mason, Treasurer of the Apprentices' Library Company of Philadelphia, have attended to that duty, and find the same correct. There being a balance in his hands due the Company, on general account, of two hundred and seventeen dollars and eighty-eight cents, and on account of the Building Fund, thirty-two dollars and fifty-four cents.

Philadelphia, Third month 11th, 1862.

ISAAC LLOYD,
MARK BALDERSTON, } Committee.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Book Committee for the purchase of Books and general superintendence of the Library.

Elected by ballot.

BENJAMIN M. HOLLINSHEAD,	TRISTRAM BOWDLE,
SAMUEL F. TROTH,	EDWARD H. BONSALL,
	PHILIP C. GARRETT.

Appointed by the Chairman.

Legacies and Trusts.

SAMUEL F. TROTH,	SAMUEL MASON,
	JOSHUA W. ASH.

Accounts.

JOSEPH H. COLLINS,	WILLIAM C. LLOYD,
	THOMAS H. MCCOLLIN.

Room Committee.

JOSEPH HUTCHINSON,	SAMUEL N. JAMES,
	ISAAC LLOYD.

EXPLANATORY NOTE.—The four officers of the Company are, ex-officio, members of the Board of Managers, making an entire Board of twenty-eight members. At a Special meeting succeeding the annual election, a Chairman and Secretary, and a Book Committee of five members, are elected by ballot; all other Committees are appointed by the Chairman.

The Managers are required to attend in rotation when the Libraries are open, and render such advice and assistance as may be necessary. Each Librarian has a Minute Book, and the proceedings, with the remarks of the attending manager, are reported monthly to the Board.

LIST OF SUBSCRIBERS

TO THE

APPRENTICES' LIBRARY COMPANY.

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION, TWO DOLLARS.

A.

Lewis R. Ashhurst,
 Charles H. Abbott,
 Samuel T. Altemus,
 Joshua W. Ash, M. D.,
 T. S. Arthur,
 George Ashmead,
 A. J. Antelo,
 Samuel M. Albertson,
 Wm. W. Alter,
 Joshua G. Allen.

B.

Frederick Brown,
 William Biddle,
 Moses Brown,
 Samuel Breck,
 Tristram Bowdle,
 James H. Bryson,
 Thos. L. Buckingham,
 Mark Balderston,
 Samuel M. Bines,
 J. F. Busch,
 Samuel Baugh,
 William Bargh,
 John Bancroft,
 William Boning,
 Joshua L. Bailey,
 Franklin Butler,
 Jeremiah Bonsall,
 Edward H. Bonsall,
 Girard Buckman,
 Edward C. Biddle,

Wm. L. Bailey,
 Alexander Baird,
 Josiah Brant,
 B. F. Bishop,
 Stephen H. Brooke,
 Clifton Bolton,
 John Bellak.

C.

Joseph Cresson,
 Carpenters' Company.
 John Carter,
 John W. Claghorn,
 Robert Cornelius,
 John C. Cresson,
 Joseph H. Collins,
 James L. Claghorn,
 S. Wilmer Cannell,
 A. Theodore Chur,
 Edwin R. Cope,
 Frances Lea Clement,
 T. K. Collins,
 Geo. W. Childs,
 Geo. W. Carr,
 Anna L. Campbell,
 James E. Caldwell,
 John Carrow,
 Benjamin Coates,
 George Canby,
 E. D. Collom,
 Wm. W. Clement,
 Joseph B. Cooper,
 Jos. B. Cowperthwait,
 John W. Clark.

D.

Mordecai L. Dawson,
Wm. J. Duane,
Charles Desilver,
Henry Dallett,
Isaac Dixon,
Dan. Dougherty,
Wm. A. Drown, Jr.,
Ferdinand J. Dreer.

E.

Charles Ellis,
Johu A. English,
Rufus M. Erskine.

F.

Alexander Fullerton, Jr.,
John C. Farr,
Jason L. Fennimore,
George W. Farnum,
Geo. W. Farr, Jr.,
Jacob Fries.

G.

Thomas C. Garrett,
George Gardom,
Jesse Godley,
L. A. Godey,
Francis W. Getz,
Philip C. Garrett,
John B. Garrett,
Eliza Gibbons,
Lewis H. Grubb.

H.

Benjamin M. Hollinshead,
James Hutchinson,
Thomas Hutchinson,
John W. Hornor,
Joseph Hutchinson,
Charles Harkness,
Lindley Haines,
Arthur H. Howell,
Sigmund H. Horstman,
Edward Hopper,
Alex. F. Hazard,
M. Hastings,
John M. Harper,
T. Esmonde Harper,
John Huneker,
Samuel Hutchinson,
Elizabeth L. Howell,

Francis Hoguet,
Jno. R. Hudders,
Samuel Haines.

J.

Isaac C. Jones,
Samuel Jeanes,
Wm. D. Jones,
J. Warner Johnson,
Charles C. Jackson,
Joshua T. Jeanes,
David Jayne,
Jabez Jenkins, Jr.,
Israel H. Johnson,
Samuel N. James,
Geo. R. Johnson.

K.

John Kilgore,
Charles Kemble,
John Ketchum,
Peter L. Krider,
Robert P. King,
John C. Kelley,
H. Kellogg,
Wm. Kinsey.

L.

Isaac Lloyd,
Robert Lesley,
Charles F. Lex,
George F. Lewis,
Milton J. Lukens,
Joseph S. Lovering,
Jacob B. Lancaster,
Wm. A. Leary,
Jos. Leidy, M. D.,
Joshua B. Lippincott,
Wm. W. Longstreth,
Henry C. Lea,
Franklin Lloyd,
William C. Lloyd,
M. Lafourcade,
John J. Lytle.

M.

Wm. R. Maxfield,
Isaac P. Morris,
John B. Myers,
Morton M'Micahel,
Charles Magarge,
John M'Arthur,
Robert V. Massey,

W. L. Maddock,
 Andrew Miller,
 Jona. B. Mitchell,
 James Martin,
 John Mooney,
 J. W. Miller,
 George C. Maddock,
 Edw. M'Carty,
 John M'Dowell, Jr.,
 Wm. Matthews,
 Wm. L. M'Dowell,
 George Martin, M. D.,
 Miles T. Mervine,
 Thos. H. M'Collin.

N.

Daniel Neall,
 Jos. A. Needles,
 Caleb H. Needles,
 Wm. N. Needles,
 Edw. G. Newlin.

O.

John M. Ogden,
 Benjamin Orne,
 George L. Oliver,
 Joseph Oat.

P.

Robert Pearsall,
 Robert E. Peterson,
 Isaac Pugh,
 Dillwyn Parish,
 Wm. S. Perot,
 Alex. Priestly,
 Hyman Pollock,
 Saml. W. Pepper,
 J. Altamont Phillips,
 Edwin W. Payne,
 Wm. H. Pile,
 Wm. Potts,
 Jacob F. Pleis.

R.

G. D. Rosengarten,
 Michael Reed,
 John Richards,
 Peter Rodgers,
 Richard Richardson,
 Evan Randolph,
 Charles Rhoads,
 James M. Robb,

Geo. H. Roberts,
 R. F. Raley,
 Richard R. Robb,
 Samuel J. Rogers,
 John Russell,
 Wm. L. Rehn.

S.

Isaac Starr,
 John Sharp,
 George R. Smith,
 Thomas Snowdon,
 John A. Sheble,
 David Scull,
 Jacob L. Smith,
 Hugh Stevenson,
 Charles L. Sharpless,
 Robert P. Smith,
 Ellwood Shannon,
 Wm. Stratton,
 James C. Smith,
 George W. Simons,
 Wm. Sleeper,
 Edw. Stellwagen,
 Samuel Sears,
 P. B. Simons,
 Thos. H. Speakman,
 Wm. E. Somers,
 Isaac Starr, Jr.,
 G. K. Snyder,
 Henry Simons,
 Henry Sharpless,
 James T. Shiun,
 Wm. Sharp,
 Horace J. Smith,
 John W. Sexton,
 Samuel S. Scattergood,
 Charles Smith,
 Samuel R. Shipley,
 James S. Smith,
 Thos. W. Stradling,
 Edwin Siddons.

T.

Samuel F. Trotb,
 Thomas T. Tasker,
 John Trucks,
 Wm. P. Troth,
 Francis Thibault,
 Charles E. Thompson,
 Eliashib Tracy,
 Charles Tracy,
 Martin Thomas,

George E. Taylor,
P. Tickner,
Geo. Tickner,
Chas. B. Taylor.

V.

Wm. Van Kirk,
Geo. Vaux,
Thomas W. Vaux.

W.

Richard Williams,
Horatio C. Wood,
Passmore Williamson,
Wm. Wainwright,
J. W. Williams,
Charles P. Warner,

B. P. Williams,
Peter T. Wright,
Wm. F. Warburton,
James Whitall,
James S. Whitney,
John Worthington,
Wm Walmsley,
Jacob W. Weymer,
George Watson,
John Willetts,
J. W. White,
Benj. B. Wilson.

Y.

Pearson Yard,
Hibbard Yarnall,
Wm. H. Yeaton.

LIFE MEMBERS.

TERMS OF LIFE-MEMBERSHIP, TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS.

A.	H.
Wm. Ashbridge.	Uriah Hunt, Jesper Harding, Jeremiah Hacker, Cyrus Hillborn, Andrew K. Hay.
B.	J.
Horace Binney, Saml. Bettle, Jr., Stacy B. Barcroft, Joseph D. Brown, Henry Budd, James J. Barclay, Franklin Bache, M. D.	Maria Janeway.
C.	K.
James Crissy, Marmaduke C. Cope, Caleb Cope, Joel Cadbury.	Thomas Kimber, Nathan Kite.
D.	L.
James N. Dixon.	John Livezey, Thomas T. Lea, Samuel W. Lippincott, Joshua W. Lippincott, Jr., Mary Lippincott, Selena Lippincott, William Lippincott.
E.	M.
Thos. Earp, Robert Ewing, G. Emerson, M. D.	Samuel Mason, John M'Allister, Thomas M'Collin, Johnson M'Lanahan, Thomas Mellor, Elizabeth Mifflin, Sarah Mifflin, Edward Joy Morris.
F.	O.
John U. Fraley, Frederick Foeing, John Farnum, Fred. Fraley, J. Reese Fry.	Richard Oakford,
G.	
John Grigg.	

Jesse Ogden.

P.

Wm. Platt,
Richard Price,
The Plasterers' Company.

R.

John Richardson,
David Reeves,
Thomas Ridgway.

S.

Townsend Sharpless,
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Samuel J. Sharpless,
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T.

Charles S. Taylor,
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W.

Richard Wistar,
David Winebrenner,
Geo. E. Womrath,
S. Morris Waln,
I. V. Williamson,
Geo. D. Wetherill,
Wm. Wetherill,
Rachel Wetherill,
Eliz. K. Wetherill,
Samuel Wetherill,
John P. Wetherill,
Rebecca Wetherill,
Maria J. Wetherill,
John Welsh,
John Wetherill, Jr.,
Richard Wood.

Y.

Charles Yarnall,
Wm. S. Young.

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